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SUBJ: PLACEMENT OF INSURANCE ON SHIPMENTS IN
EAST-WEST TRADE

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1. DEPARTMENT IS INTERESTED IN EAST GERMAN INSURANCE
AND REINSURANCE POLICIES AND PRACTICES AND WOULD
APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY DATA GENERATED BY FORTH-
COMING JUNE 12 MEETING OF MISSION OFFICER WITH (FNU)
WETZEL, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF DARAG (EAST GERMAN STATE
INSURANCE ENTERPRISE), INCLUDING BU T NOT NECESSARILY
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LIMITED TO INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING:

2. WHAT PROPORTION AND, IF POSSIBLE, DOLLAR VALUE OF GDR'S EAST-WEST TRADE, BOTH IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, IS INSURED WITH DARAG AND/OR WITH INGOSSTRAKH, BOTH DIRECT INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE?

3. WHAT PROPORTION AND, IF POSSIBLE, DOLLAR VALUE OF THIS TRADE IS INSURED WITH WHOLLY-OWNED SOVIET INSURANCE COMPANIES CHARTERED UNDER WESTERN HOST COUNTRY LAWS: SCHWARZMEER AND OSTSEE, HAMBURG; GARANT, VIENNA, AND BLACK SEA AND BALTIC COMPANY, LTD, LONDON?

4. WHAT PROPORTION AND-, IF POSSIBLE, DOLLAR VALUE OF THIS TRADE IS WRITTEN IN WESTERN DOMESTIC INSURANCE MARKETS(INCLUDING WHOLLY-OWNED SOVIET COMPANIES(?

5. DOES THE GDR HAVE INSURANCE AGREEMENTS WITH WESTERN GOVERNMENTS (E.G. UK, FRANCE, ITALY, AND JAPAN) WHICH PROVIDE FOR RECIPROCAL QUOTA-SHARING INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS, ESPECIALLY WITH REFERENCE TO MARINE CARGO INSURANCE? IF SO, PLEASE SUMMARIZE.

6. DOES THE GDR HAVE ANY SPECIAL INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS, PARTICULARLY WITH REFERENCE TO MARINE INSURANCE, WITH THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY? IF SO, PLEASE SUMMARIZE.

7. CABLE REPLY WITH COPIES MARKED BEWT/COMMERCE, ATTENTION SUZANNE PORTER. KISSINGER

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